

START YOUR BUSINESS. IN CHICAGO

MOBILE BOUTIQUE OPERATOR



Mobile Boutique Operator:

Any person or entity that offers for sale at retail, tangible, and durable merchandise and products to the general public from within a motorized commercial vehicle can apply for an Emerging Business Permit (EBP). The permit fee is \$250.

Mobile Boutique Operations:

Mobile Boutique vehicles must move from place to place upon the public ways and cannot operate at a fixed location. Operators may also operate on private property with permission from the property owner. The vehicle and business operations cannot interfere with or impede traffic, including, but not limited to vehicular, business, pedestrian and bicycle traffic. Vehicles may not be in motion while patrons are in the vehicle.

Prohibited acts, services, and items to offer:

- Service-oriented business activities
- Performances or live entertainment unless part of a permitted special event
- Video arcades or gaming
- 2nd hand property
- Any food or beverage for human consumption
- Tobaccco, tobacco products and accessories
- Liquor
- Materials and ware of an "adult use" nature
- Weapons, knives, firearms or ammunition
- Medical cannabbis cultivation center or dispensing organizations

Some Vehicle Requirements:

- Use of any sound amplification is prohibited
- Equipped with carbon monoxide detector
- No oscillating, rotating, or flashing lights of any color shall be used while parked or in motion
- Prices, policies, and customer disclaimers must be clearly legible and available to consumer
- Maintain and provide proof of commercial general liability insurance with a minimum of \$1,000,000
- All electrical equipment must be installed in accordance with NFPA 70
- Stops shall be made only to service customers and shall not exceed (i) a total of two hours or (ii) the maximum permitted period of parking, whichever is lesser, in any one block

**Department of
Business Affairs and
Consumer Protection**
121 North LaSalle Street
Room 805
Chicago, IL 60602

BECOME A LICENSED MOBILE BOUTIQUE OPERATOR

Apply in-person at BACP's Small Business Center
121 North LaSalle Street, Room 800.

Application intake hours are Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Make an appointment:

Online at www.cityofchicago.org/sbc

Or by **calling** (312) 74-GOBIZ / 744-6249.

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